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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. ____
1 2 BY PALMER
1 3 A Resolution urging the United States Postal
1 4 Service to issue commemorative postage stamps
1 5 honoring four great Iowa conservationists: J. N.
1 6 "Ding" Darling, Aldo Leopold, John F. Lacey, and
1 7 William Temple Hornaday.
1 8 WHEREAS, Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling was a renowned
1 9 Iowa editorial cartoonist who advocated conservation
1 10 of our nation's natural resources; and
1 11 WHEREAS, "Ding" Darling was the father of the
1 12 federal Duck Stamp Program, founder of the National
1 13 Wildlife Federation, creator of the Cooperative Fish
1 14 and Wildlife Research Unit Program, and laid the
1 15 groundwork for the system of today's National Wildlife
1 16 Refuges; and
1 17 WHEREAS, Iowa native Aldo Leopold's professional
1 18 life encompassed forestry, ecology, and writing; and
1 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Leopold is widely considered the
1 20 father of wildlife ecology and was a renowned
1 21 scientist and scholar, exceptional teacher,
1 22 philosopher, and gifted writer; and
1 23 WHEREAS, a lifelong advocate for the preservation
1 24 of wildlife and wilderness areas, Mr. Leopold became a
1 25 founder of The Wilderness Society and wrote "A Sand
1 26 County Almanac"; and
1 27 WHEREAS, in the late 19th century, John F. Lacey
1 28 practiced law in Oskaloosa, Iowa, and was first
1 29 elected to Congress in 1888; and
1 30 WHEREAS, as the chairman of the Committee on Public
2 1 Lands, Mr. Lacey was the first strong congressional
2 2 voice for conservation, leading in the passage of
2 3 legislation that still protects wilderness areas,
2 4 wildlife, and migratory birds; and
2 5 WHEREAS, William Temple Hornaday grew up in Iowa
2 6 and studied botany, zoology, paleontology, scientific
2 7 stock breeding, and forestry at what is now known as
2 8 Iowa State University; and
2 9 WHEREAS, a naturalist, hunter, and conservationist,
2 10 William Temple Hornaday had a varied career, including
2 11 chief taxidermist at the National Museum from 1882 to
2 12 1890, director at various times of both the
2 13 Smithsonian Institution's first zoo and the New York
2 14 Zoological Park, and president of the American Bison
2 15 Society, making Hornaday one of the best-known
2 16 naturalists of his time; and
2 17 WHEREAS, during a distinguished and varied career
2 18 Mr. Hornaday wrote over 30 books designed to help
2 19 animals from the now extinct passenger pigeons to
2 20 buffalo; and
2 21 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the
2 22 contributions and sacrifices of these Iowa
2 23 environmental and ecological visionaries be recognized
2 24 and honored; NOW THEREFORE,
2 25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
2 26 That the House of Representatives urges the United
2 27 States Postal Service to issue a commemorative postage
2 28 stamp honoring the work and memory of J. N. "Ding"
2 29 Darling, Aldo Leopold, John F. Lacey, and William
2 30 Temple Hornaday; and
3 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon adoption, a copy
3 2 of this Resolution be sent to the United States
3 3 Postmaster General and to the Citizens' Stamp Advisory
3 4 Committee.
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